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Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing. Applicant must submit \$ 385 to complete the basic filing fee for a small entity.
- The oath or declaration is missing. A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 are required. The drawings submitted are not acceptable because:
 - More than one figure is present and each figure is not labeled "Fig." with a consecutive Arabic numeral (1, 2, etc.) or an Arabic numeral and capital letter in the English alphabet (A, B, etc.)(see 37 CFR 1.84(u)(1)). See Figure(s) 2b.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is \$450 for a Small Entity

• \$385 Statutory basic filing fee.

• \$65 Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

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PART 2 - COPY TO BE RETURNED WITH RESPONSE

U.S. PATENT APPLICATION NO.

10/811,497

FILING DATE

March 29, 2004

TITLE

Plug valve system means

APPLICANT/OWNER

Fluoro-Seal Inc.

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.

09329-002

RB/bm

Montréal, Québec, Canada September 1st, 2004

NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS Washington D.C. 20231

SIR

We hereby refer to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional application which was issued on July 26, 2004 in relation with the above-mentioned patent application. A copy of this notice is annexed hereto.

In response to said Notice and in order to avoid abandonment, please find enclosed a document entitled "Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application" which has been duly executed by the inventors.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$65.00 to the USpto deposit account no. 02-3980 in payment of the recordation fee for the filing of the Missing Parts.

As well at the time of the filing of the application the Commissioner neglected to apply the filing fees of \$385.00, as mentioned in our letter of March 25, 2004 which is attached herewith. Further to this, we also hereby authorize the Commissioner to charge the amount of \$385.00 to the USpto deposit account no. 02-3980 in payment of the filing fees of the application.

The Commissioner is further authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to said credit card and, in due course, notify the undersigned.

We look forward to receiving the corrected filing certificate.

Respectfully submitted,

FLUORO-SEAL INC.

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Encls:

- 1. Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts;
- 2. Copy of "Declaration and Power of Attorney"
- 3. Our letter of March 25, 2004





March 25, 2004

The Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington D.C. 20231 U.S.A.

Re

New U.S. Patent Application

Title

Plug valve adjustment means

Inventor:

Nicolas Paul

Our file

09329-002

FILING UNDER 37 CFR 1.41(C)

Dear Madam/Sir:

The undersigned attorney has been authorized by the applicant to file the above-captioned patent application on their behalf.

The application is to be filed in accordance with the enclosed filing particulars.

Please use our deposit account number 02-3980 for the payment of the prescribed fees, i.e. \$US 385.00.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

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BASIC F	EE						385
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TOTAL I	NDEP CLAIMS	3	- (3)		0		0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENTED							0
TOTAL:							385

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If any other fees whatsoever are due, the US Patent Office is also hereby authorized to charge any such additional fees to our Deposit Account no. 02-3980.

All telephone conversations should be directed to Robert Brouillette at (514) 397-6900.

Respectfully submitted,

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